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TO AMEMBASSY TOKYO

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SUBJECT: GIFT OF CRANES TO JAPANESE PEOPLE

1. PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD, ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, WILL PRESENTTWO GREATER SANDHILL CRANES TO THE JAPANESE PEOPLE ON THE OCCASION OF THE EMPEROR'S VISIT. THE GIFT WILL BE ANNOUNCED BY THE WHITE HOUSE IN THE COURSE OF THE EMPEROR'S STAY IN WASHINGTON.

2. THE JAPANESE EMBASSY HAS BEEN INFORMED OF THIS GIFT AND, AFTER CHECKING WITH TOKYO, HAS TOLD THE DEPARTMENT THAT THE UENO ZOO WOULD RECEIVE THEM AND CARE FOR THE CRANES.

3. THE CRANES ARE A YEARLING MALE AND FEMALE WHICH HAVE BEEN REARED AT THE PATUXENT WILDLIFE RESEARCH CENTER OF THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT'S FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE. THE DEPT. WILL ARRANGE COMMERCIAL SHIPMENT FOR THE CRANES, WHICH WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN OFFICIAL FROM THE INTERIOR

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DEPARTMENT.

4. THE AMBASSADOR HAS INDICATED THAT HE WISHES TO ARRANGE AN APPROPRIATE PRESENTATION CEREMONY IN JAPAN SOMETIME AFTER NOVEMBER 1.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT ASKS THAT THE EMBASSY, IN CONSULTATION WITH FONOFF, ASCERTAIN WHAT INFORMATION ABOUT THE CRANES THE UENO ZOO REQUIRES AND WHEN, AFTER NOVEMBER 1, THE ZOO WOULD BE PREPARED TO RECEIVE THEM. KISSINGER

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